



MH-RECREATION THERAPIST, CERTIFIED

Characteristics of Work

This is administrative work which involves responsibility for planning, implementing, supervising, and coordinating the recreational program for residents of the Department of Mental Health facilities. Incumbents must create and develop innovative recreational activities for the residents of the facilities. Work also involves evaluating and making constructive adjustments in existing recreational activities. Supervision is exercised over recreation program personnel in a lower classification.

Examples of Work

Examples of work performed in this classification include, but are not limited to, the following:

Plans, implements, supervises and coordinates recreational programs.

Analyzes current programs and makes decisions relative to future programs.

Establishes proper lines of communication.

Sets standards of program controls.

Serves as a member of the facility interdisciplinary team.

Supervises program budget including allocations to particular program areas.

Supervises the operation and maintenance of residents' recreational center building.

Supervises staff of the recreational programs.

Supervises "leisure time" activities of residents.

Performs related or similar duties as required or assigned.

Minimum Qualifications

A Master's Degree from an accredited four-year college or university in Recreation, Physical Education, Music, Art, or directly related field; and two (2) years of experience directly related to the above described duties; and valid certification from the appropriate certifying institution/ authority as a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist, Art Therapist; certification as Music Therapist, or certification as a Mental Health Therapist or Mental Retardation Therapist.

Required Document:

Applicant must attach a valid copy of his/her certification as a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist, Music Therapist, Mental Health Therapist or Mental Retardation Therapist.

Interview Requirements:

Any candidate who is called to an agency for an interview must notify the interviewing agency in writing of any reasonable accommodation needed prior to the date of the interview.